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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136, applicants hereby petition that the period for filing an Appeal Brief pursuant to Appellants' Notice of Appeal mailed July 10, 2000 be extended for four months, to and including January 10, 2001.

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